Senate Bill No. 1592

CHAPTER 674

An act relating to pupils.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1592, Romero. Pupils: high school exit examination.

Existing law requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction, with the approval of the State Board of Education, to develop a high school exit examination in English language arts and mathematics in accordance with state academic content standards. Existing law requires, commencing with the 2003–04 school year and each school year thereafter, each pupil completing grade 12 to successfully pass the high school exit examination as a condition of receiving a diploma of graduation or graduation from high school.

This bill would require the Superintendent of Public Instruction, by June 30, 2007, to report to the Legislature and the Governor on the number and percentage of pupils who failed to receive a diploma of graduation from high school in 2006 due to the failure of those pupils to pass the high school exit examination, disaggregated by ethnicity, English learner status, and other information as may be determined to be necessary to understanding the meaning and consequences of the failure to pass the high school exit examination.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. By June 30, 2007, the Superintendent of Public Instruction shall report to the Legislature and the Governor on the number and percentage of pupils who failed to receive a diploma of graduation from high school in 2006 due to the failure of those pupils to pass the high school exit examination required by Section 60851 of the Education Code, aggregated by ethnicity, English learner status as defined by subdivision (a) of Section 306 of the Education Code, and other information as may be determined to be necessary to understanding the meaning and consequences of the failure to pass the high school exit examination.